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WHAT'S PRINCE EDWARD GOING TO DO?

The papers published in other counties of the State bristle with cards of announcement from candidates for county honors, and the local Democratic authorities are arranging for primaries. Candidates and county alike are silent so far in Prince Edward. Is there to be a struggle? or shall we by common consent let things remain as they are?

The Herald has no axe to grind and only calls attention to an anomalous condition of affairs.

Tillman, the slayer of Gonzales, has secured change of venue, and this looks like a verdict of not guilty at the end.

Mr. Cleveland has now gone fishing for the summer, and we may not expect other denials or declarations. Mr. Bryan will be quiet, too, while Mr. Gorman marches to the front.

German and American sea fighters have been giving and receiving courtesies in the waters of Kiel. May be if they know each other better they will be the slower going to battle. It goes without saying that they are women worthy each other's steel.

The speech of Judge Parker, before the bar association of Georgia, will be read with great interest as many people are expecting to find in it the launching of a presidential craft. We have the highest respect for this model judge and citizen, but he must wait or resign all hope of such honors, for Gorman is the man this time.

The department of agriculture of the United States has decided to locate in the State of Texas the largest tobacco experimental station in the world. Why not locate it in Virginia where it has been already demonstrated that tobacco can be grown to as much perfection as anywhere else in the world? It is an experiment in Texas. And why should the government go into the tobacco business at all? why not to road building instead? The farmers will make all the tobacco needed. Even now they are not realizing a profit on it.

THE GENUINE ARTICLE.

Sir Thomas Lipton, who has come for the cup again, carries a rabbit foot in his pocket, but the Washington Post doubts that he has the genuine article and then gives us description of that: "Everybody knows that there is only one genuine article. It must be the left hind foot of a rabbit killed in a graveyard by a red-headed, cross-eyed, colored person on the 13th of the month. Moreover, the killing must be done in the dark of the moon. Foreign rabbits will not answer. Belgian hares are of no virtue. Even the Kansas jack-rabbit doesn't count. It must be the plain American molly cotton tail killed in the manner and under the conditions we have named. Otherwise the charm will not work any more than if it were the paw of a mountain lion or an Arizona coyote."

Russia says to Uncle Sam, "Mind your own business and I will look after mine." And what are you going to do about it?

The most extensive strike of them all is that on the farms, and nobody is making any fuss about it. Soldiers are not ordered to the scene, and no matter what hurt comes to the farmer by reason of reckless breaking of contracts neither State or nation manifests any concern.

Emerson said in 1855, "we shall organize the echo as we now do the shadow." So he caught a glimpse of the telephone in advance of others.

Mr. Chas. G. Kizer, who was at one time associated with the Herald, has bought the Unionist plant and good will in Norfolk. The Unionist is the organ of the Central Labor Union, of that city, and affiliated branches. The Herald sends greetings and good wishes.

The six independent toothpick factories of the country have combined, and 1,000 pickers can no longer be bought for two cents. We won't kick against a rise of one cent for one thousand.

It looks as though Japan would fight Russia anyhow. And if at all she must wage an offensive war. What does the little sister mean by this? Is she willing to get credit for courage and discredit for judgment?

Old man Russell Sage's "advice to young men" doesn't differ very much from the grunt of a hog. The man who starts out with the determination never to help a brother man has false ideas of life.

The Jews, in general conference assembled, at Detroit recently, agreed to cling to the observance of the "historical Sabbath." We remark again that it is a great mystery that the nation from which the Christ came continues to reject the Master and his teachings.

Sandridge, the young man who recently killed his sweetheart, in Richmond, has been sent to the penitentiary for ten years. Most remarkable verdict. Surely with him it should have been "neck or nothing." If he was without reason to punish him is cruel, if sane to confine him for a few years in jail is a solemn farce.

An exchange notes that Sir Thomas Lipton has spent \$3,500,000 trying to lift the American cup. Probably ten times that much has been spent trying to elevate the stage with the same result.—Newport News Press.

And ten times ten times have been spent in lifting cups.

Representative Christian Scientists

in Boston recently and while there called on Mrs. Edoy, "mother of the church." There were 18,000 of them present. This is their communion ceremony.

"No enchanter of material sort was prepared for the communion, but the whole congregation fell on their knees and dwelt a moment in silent prayer. Then the Lord's Prayer was recited in concert and communion was over."

Christ prayed that His church might be "one," and how far from true that is at this date. We do not know why this is so but some day "we will know even as we are known."

This is dividend paying season, and the amount to be disbursed this July is some \$50,000,000 in excess of last year. Where does this money go? Back into dividend-paying securities. And that means that the select few are to reap the benefit and not the great body of the American people. And yet some people are getting richer and that makes us feel more comfortable.

Well, Judge Parker has been way down in Dixie, talked to the Georgia lawyers, been transported and had a good time. We don't know that his presidential prospects have brightened, but heigh or not we have no idea that he can beat the Herald's first choice, Gorman, of Maryland.

JOHN WESLEY.

The Methodists of the world have of late been honoring themselves in honoring the memory of the immortal first Methodist, John Wesley. Sunday, June the 28th, the 280th anniversary of his birth was celebrated and fresh inspiration was no doubt gotten for the great work he inaugurated and which is now in charge of loyal and loving millions.

Lecky said of his work: "Although the career of the elder Pitt and the splendid victories by land and sea that were won during his ministry form unquestionably the most dazzling episodes in the reign of George II, they must yield, I think, in real importance to that religious revolution which shortly before had begun in England by the preaching of the Wesleys, and Whitefield. The creation of a large, active and powerful sect, extending over both hemispheres and numbering many millions of souls was but one of its consequences."

"It also exercised a profound and lasting influence upon the spirit of the established church, upon the amount and distribution of the moral forces of the nation, and even upon the course of its political history."

Birrell said: "Wesley was himself the greatest force of the 18th century in England. No man lived nearer the center than John Wesley, neither Oliver Pitt, neither Mansfield nor Johnson. No single figure influenced so many minds, no single voice touched so many hearts. No other man did such a life work for England."

And his works do follow him, and though dead he is yet speaking to the passing centuries. The King has been forgotten but the name of this subject, was not born to die.

Peter I has been inducted into office with great pomp and ceremony, but those who pretend to know say that unrest exists in all Serrvia, and though the King is dead the cry of "long live the King" is hollow mockery. Health, home, a competency, how much better than all the glitter and glare of the throne.

Mr. McClure, of Philadelphia, so long among the foremost editors of his day, says his happiest and best days as editor were spent on the country weekly. We are perfectly satisfied that the honored brother is strictly correct and by reason of the fact that so long as he was in charge of a country weekly he was "his own self boss." To be told what to write and how to write it must be nauseating. He had his troubles and we have ours, which are aggravated when wood gets to be "scarce," and watermelons hard to obtain, and eggs more than 12 cents a dozen, and unpaid marriage and obituary notices accumulate, and the name of a belle is left out of the notice of the ball, and mother's baby isn't the best baby, and one best isn't bigger than another best, but with all these troubles there remains the "glorious privilege of being independent," and that covers a multitude of inconveniences. Great is the country weekly!

WALL STREET AND THE COUNTRY.

"Wall street may be shaken to its foundations without disturbing the general welfare of the nation," says the Kansas City Journal, and so we would be glad to say and to believe. It isn't true, however, much to our sorrow. Wall street, unfortunately, is the heart of the financial system of this country and when it gets wrong the whole body suffers, unless there means general unrest.

There is no reason for this, for it is heart simply because the people say so. It should no longer occupy any such important place.

Let the national gamblers ply their mad game and let the losses be felt in their own circles. No one of them ever made a dollar or added anything to the general wealth of the country, and yet they dictate prices and make and unmake panics. Would that this was not so but alas it is so. A "shake" in Wall street and the country trembles.

Senator Hear, of Massachusetts, in a recent speech which was delivered in presence of brother lawyers, deprecates the election of United States Senators by the people rather than by the legislators of the country, and strange to say gave as his reason the fact that the latter was the purer, more reliable and conservative electorate of the two. The old man may know some things better than others, but in this one instance he shows dense ignorance. We know full well that the theory of our forefathers demanded just such condition, but even the old worthies didn't know it all, and when it comes to be admitted that the people of this country are not to be trusted then indeed may we say farewell, a long farewell to all our greatness. "The stream cannot be purer than its source. Of the people, by the people, for the people."

Judge Witt, of the Hastings Court of Richmond, gave a ringing charge to the grand jury on last Monday on the subject of riots and boycotting. His Honor is not going to tolerate foolishness, and law-abiding Richmond will

sustain him in his demands for law and order.

Pope Leo is in extremis and may be dead before the Herald reaches its readers. He has reached the good old age of 93 years and all that long life has been marked by ability and piety. From one standpoint he has been guilty of two weaknesses: (1) He has shared with his people the idea that he was infallible, (2) and fretted because he was stripped of temporal power, when his Bible reads, none perfect, no not one and my kingdom is not of this world. Let us learn to differ, however, in perfect charity. We have no quarrel with Pope or his people.

THOUGHTS ON FITTING.

(Some.)

The family cabinet, closed to the prying of outside eyes, will often be found to hide family jars. It is sad to think, when only one life is given to us humans to live here, that we give little care to the gliding years and let them go by unfiled with the sunshine that is free to all. Those who by marriage or by birth are compelled to dwell together year after year often miss the best of life by little frictions over little trifles. If their eyes were wide open and usefulness these troubles need not exist at all.

Family jars are made by the failure to fit in. A wife coming from a social position a little superior to that of her husband, though she forget the difference when she loved him enough to marry him—remembers it when the glamour of marriage rubs off and remembers it so well that she does not let him forget it. Yet what are social differences in many cases but a lot of nonsense? It is where the social life is least clearly defined that there is most fuss and demand over it. Real culture makes no talk about its rights—it will get them, because real culture is at once recognized. It would not get them by demanding them, because real culture is at once recognized. It would not get them by demanding them; for real culture vaunteth not itself. Pray tell us, vain wife what good to you is the little magic circle of folks that you cannot meet, compared with the love, devotion, sweat and toil of the man who loves you and would give his life for you? You are straining after a tinsel toy that will break up to valuelessness in the grasping, while the real great joy of the warm sunshine of comradeship is as free to you as air. It surrounds you.

The man may be the one who bruises the heart of love. He is reaching out for more achievement; he draws his very inspiration from the plain little bird in the home nest, and yet he forgets all that she is to him and is unjust enough to compare her with other less hampered with duties—the duties he imposed—and therefore with more time to dress or to study or to excel. He would not do the home bird an active wrong; he recoils from the thought, but he does her a passive wrong in withdrawing his confidence and in feeling that outside the home is more of stimulation than within it. He must fit in. There is a work-side to the home; there is drudgery in it; bearable only by the little patient one who does it because love to the great man makes it bearable. To cherish that dear heart, remove thorns from its side is better than to rise one more rung in the dizzy ladder of wealth or of fame, for fame may vanish in a day, but love survives the shocks of time and of loss.

The foundation of the jokes directed towards the mother-in-law is in this unfitness. Forbid, we should lay the blame all on her; for she does much that no amount of money could pay. Her way of doing it may be irritating, but nevertheless many unpleasant essentials of home life get done and done well. The trouble is sometimes on one side only, many times on both. The husband's mother is foolish if she expects the little wife to be as clay. The wife's mother is on the way to suffering if she expects the new man in the family to be as yielding as his daughter. The husband's wife is silly if she expects the distant marks of hard effort to be wiped out by the mother's character, by the skill of one sweet smile—charming for the husband, blind with love, but to the mother mayhap appearing only as a simper and giggle. Yet the way to happiness runs right straight through the door of such a household. All they need is the mind cleared from the foolish delusion that we gain most by making demands and that we are most esteemed by compelling others to give way to us.

"Fitting in" is the way of the wise. It applies to every walk of life. In matters of morality and probity there is no "fitting in" with immorality; yielding to wrong for the sake of peace is not what we are advising about. But we insist the things of life that seem most estimable are often merest trash when measured against the love and comfort we lose in trying to attain them.

THE TIDE OF LIFE.

With fairy foot-fall Nature passes by, Flinging festoons of frost flowers over head, Or stringing gems along Archæus' thread— With highest art concealed from human eyes. She swells proud ocean's breast so silently That, till it wastes again to weedy bed, Leaving for lovely life strange shapes instead. We may not mark its brief ambition die, With slow and silent flow this moves life's tide. Unnoticed, till the sands of time are bare, And, with the ebb, the kindly flood recedes, When, as the piteous past outstretches wide, All things that death life's waves seemed good and fair, Jetsam and flotsam prove and wasted ware.

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